IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Andrea Marsella, Sandro Vidotto and Barbara Cremaschi For: A Hollow Pellet Suitable As Carrier Of Catalysts For Selective Exothermic Reactions **EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO: EV325637295US** DATE OF DEPOSIT: July 29, 2003 Mail Stop Patent Application Mail Stop Design Mail Stop Sequence Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER Transmitted herewith for filing, please find: \bowtie A Utility Patent Application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b). A Utility Patent Application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) as follows: A Continuation of Application No.

A Divisional of Application No.

A Continuation-in-part of Application No.

A Design Patent Application (submitted in duplicate).

The above-identified application includes the following: A Request for Nonpublication A Specification including claims and abstract on pages 1 to 22. M A copy of the specification including claims and abstract (pages) and drawings and appendixes (if any) of earlier Application No. filed , to which no new matter has been added. Such earlier application is hereby incorporated into the present application by reference. A copy of the executed oath or declaration filed in the earlier application identified above is attached. An Associate Power of Attorney executed by who is listed in the copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney filed herewith. A Copy of the Power of Attorney with Revocation filed in prior Application No. Signed Statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application. Please enter the amendment as follows to the specification under the "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" section (or amend the specification to include such a section as the first paragraph): "This application is a continuation/divisional/continuation-in-part [choose one] of , filed , the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference." [List others in chain as needed] "This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No , the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference." filed This application claims foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Application No. \boxtimes 02255354.9 filed July 31. 2002 in EP. A Certified Copy of each of the above applications for which priority is claimed: is enclosed. filed has been filed in prior Application No. \boxtimes 8 Sheets of Formal Drawings and/or Photographs. Figure 1 should be published. X Petition to Accept Color Photographs is enclosed.

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